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Applicants: Sam E. KINNEY, Jr. et al. :

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 11, 2004, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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